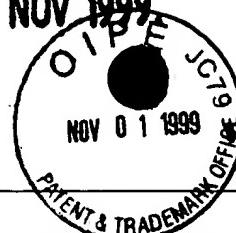


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Page 1**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371**

International Application No.: PCT/EP98/02590
 International Filing Date: May 4, 1998
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 Title of Invention: INHIBITORS OF CELLULOLYTIC, XYLANOLYTIC AND B-GLUCANOLYTIC ENZYMES
 Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US: Debyser et al.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
2. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
3. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
4. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2))
 - a) is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b) has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c) is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
5. A translation of the International Application into English (35 USC 371(c)(2)).
6. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3))
 - a) are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b) have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c) have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d) have not been made and will not be made.
7. A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report with any annexes thereto, such as any amendments made under PCT Article 34.
8. A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
9. International Application as published.
10. Diskette containing machine readable form of Sequence Listing.
11. International Search Report.
12. A return prepaid postcard.

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| BASIC FEE | | | | \$840 |
| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | |
| Total Claims | 47 - 20 = | 27 × | \$18 | \$486 |
| Independent Claims | 1 - 3 = | 0 × | \$78 | \$0 |
| Multiple dependent claims(s) (if applicable) | | | \$260 | \$0 |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS | | | | \$1326 |

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 13. (X) A check in the amount of \$840 to cover the basic fee only is enclosed.
14. (X) The fees for excess claims and for later submission of the signed oath or declaration set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(e) will be paid upon submission of the declaration.
15. (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge only those additional fees which may be required to avoid abandonment of the application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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